

SECOND YEAR—NO. 393.

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1897.

A large bankrupt stock of SHOT GUNS and RIFLES of all kinds for sale at

Jackson's Toy Store

Water street, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Mich. Winchester Repeating Rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$12 each. See the old and new models Quackenbush 22's and other Target Guns. One Colt Repeating Rifle second-hand at \$7, one Winchester Single Shot Rifle, second-hand, at \$6, Spencer Repeating Shot Gun, 8 shot at \$17, and I have Double Barrel Breach Loading Shot Guns both 10 and 12 shot at \$7, \$8, \$11 and \$12 each. Single Barrel Breach Loaders, both new and second-hand, at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each. Muzzle Loading Shot Guns at the lowest prices, one Winchester Repeating Shot Gun second-hand at \$10. Loaded Paper Shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box; paste that in your hat. A full and complete line of Winchester rifle cartridges at winning prices; 26 different sizes of revolver cartridges; B. B. Florent's and Blanks, Lathin & Raud's shot gun, rifle and blasting powder; smokeless powder for shot guns and rifles, brass shells, loaded and unloaded, and common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, shot gun fixtures; cartridge belts and shell bags; hunting coats, vests and hats; canvas game bags and belts for hunters; powder flasks and shot pouches; primers; snipe, turkey and duck call; shot gun shells loaded with various powders; bowie knives and knives for hunters; pasteboard and felt wads; water proof and G. D. gun caps; all kinds of new and second-hand revolvers; leaders are 32 center fire at \$1.50; 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are of the bull dog pattern, and they are all right and I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire, both blue and nickel 5 and 6 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder, break down shell ejector, 44 inch barrel Smith and Weston pattern for \$3 and how is that for a leader on guns? Hunters for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, duck lanterns for even hunters and the Morchouse traps for trappers, and compasses, boxing gloves, iron dumbbells. Foot balls all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckels, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

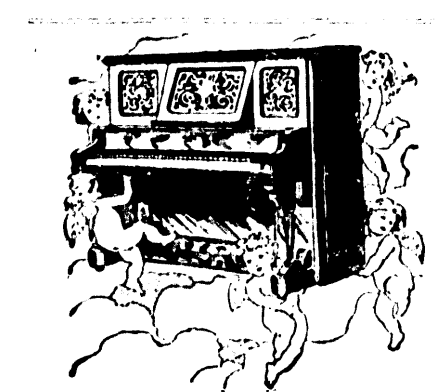
After New list I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property and that I have.

A large grain sack full of unredeemed WATCHES of all kinds.

62 solid dog rings. Banjos, guitars and violins at one-third first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock I can always stock you up on bargains. I have death in fishing, hunting and sporting goods for 10 years in Benton Harbor. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold.

CHARLES A. JACKSON

Dealer in Almost Everything.....

**Start the New Year**

with a piano you'll find it easier and pleasanter to live with a little music to brighten your ways now and then. Think of the instruction and culture it will bring to the children. Think how they will thank you for it when they grow older. Don't think about the cost, before you commence to worry, drop in and see what we have.

I will move to the Mills' block, 156 Pipestone street, January 1.

J. J. OSBORN,

129 Pipestone street.

...COME TO THE**Big Market..**

WE LEAD THEM ALL

Fresh Cuts of all Kinds of Meat

OYSTERS, FISH, ETC.

J. J. MILLER

The Meat Man

OPPOSITE HOBEE HOUSE.

THE SESSION TODAY.

Board of Supervisors Hears a Report on the Financial Condition of the County.

JANITOR KINGLEY'S PAY RAISED.

Other Business of Importance Disposed of by the County Legislators.

Supervisors John F. Gard, W. M. Baldwin and W. J. Diemer, members of the committee appointed to examine the books of the county treasurer and report to the board the financial condition of the county, submitted their report at this morning's session of the board.

The report discloses the condition of the county's finance on December 31, 1896. The treasurer's total debits were \$201,252.79 and the credits \$196,808.71, with a balance on hand of \$4,450.08. The total of the balances remaining in the various funds of the county was \$43,650.65. The report was adopted.

The salary of Janitor Henry Kingley of the court house was declared incommensurate by the retiring county officers in a communication submitted to the board this morning. It was urged that his salary be increased. He has been receiving \$30 per month and his work kept him and his son occupied almost night and day. The board voted to raise his salary to \$40 per month and include in his labors the care of the court house grounds.

The books of the county officers were examined and upon the recommendation of the committee were accepted.

The committee on county buildings was instructed to render a final statement of its expenditures.

The bill of \$49.80 presented by J. O. Rowe for the burial of William Mincke, drowned in Lake Michigan last summer, is not likely to be allowed. The committee, which had the claim under consideration, reported that Mincke was a resident of Benton Harbor one year previous to his death and that the expense of his burial should be borne by that city.

The board was notified of the appointment of Andrew Shearer by the Galien township board to represent Galien township on the board of supervisors in the place of E. A. Blakeslee, elected state senator.

The board expects to conclude the business of the January session tomorrow.

The judiciary committee was assigned the matter of arranging for the continuance by Mrs. Richard Waters of the saloon business conducted by her husband in St. Joseph previous to his death, which occurred recently, by allowing her to alter the license as she shows that she is conducting the business in her own name. There is \$106 of the \$500 license still unused.

The following claims were allowed yesterday afternoon:

Warren S. Pahn.....	\$ 6.00
J. P. Mayson.....	10.00
M. J. Vines.....	10.00
W. H. Smith.....	10.00
J. P. Mayson.....	10.00
Charles H. Whitcomb.....	1.40
Hone Brothers.....	37.85
B. R. Stearns.....	38.20
C. E. Sabin.....	40.00
John M. Gillette.....	52.15
Richard Orford.....	1.00
Samuel Goble.....	1.60
James A. Lane.....	2.25
John C. St. Clair.....	3.10
H. C. Boswick.....	40.00
Fred A. Woodruff.....	40.00
A. W. Whitehead.....	11.20
Remington Typewriter Co.....	1.00
N. A. Hamilton.....	9.23
Roy Clark.....	1.50
William Baldwin.....	1.98
W. C. Davis.....	1.25
J. S. Hager.....	5.00
E. D. Collins & Co.....	1.25
Stuck & Bailey.....	1.25
W. A. Preston.....	92.50
Nels Johnson.....	1,000.00
Frank P. Graves.....	12.30
Charles Johnson.....	6.12
Charles E. Sabin.....	16.50
Dwight Warren.....	3.15
A. P. Cady.....	17.50
Thomas Whitney.....	2.50
Thomas Lawrence.....	10.00
Niles D. Smith.....	24.28
Joel H. Gillette.....	1.00
John C. Wenger.....	12.75
Frank P. Graves.....	5.15
Alva Sheenwood.....	73.00
J. P. Beesley.....	6.28
A. L. Ide & Sons.....	1.00
John W. Needham.....	5.35
H. C. Hurlbut & Co.....	.50
Bertha E. Smith.....	25.00

MANDAMUS ASKED AND DENIED

Hon. James O'Hara Wants \$82.72 from the County.

This afternoon Hon. James O'Hara brought a mandamus suit against the board of supervisors in which that body will be compelled to show cause why they disallowed O'Hara's bill of \$82.72 for defending Clyde M. Brown.

Judge Coolidge promptly denied the mandamus asked for and O'Hara took an appeal from the decision.

For the next 60 days C. R. Hollis & Son will sell their entire stock at actual cost before buying spring goods.

William Jennings Bryan ran a box of Bird's fine candies the day after election. He said "was the only thing that could calm his troubled spirit. Bird always keeps the best."

CLAIMS DAMAGES.

A Buchanan Lady Claims the Village Injured Her Property.

Caroline Mead, of Buchanan, claims that the village in which she lives has injured her property, a house and lot, to the extent of \$500, for which amount she has brought suit, the case being taken up for trial in the circuit court last evening.

Mrs. Mead is represented by Lawyer A. C. Roe, in his statement of the facts which he expected to be able to show to the jury Mr. Roe claimed that the plaintiff was the owner of a house and lot located on Oak street, in the village of Buchanan and that she had suffered a depreciation in the value of her property by reason of the street on which it is located, being graded to a height of five feet above the level of the lot.

Previous to the altitudinal alterations of the street, it is alleged, she was able to rent the property at a reasonable figure, but immediately upon the change in the street her tenant disappeared and her property was practically valueless. It is claimed further by the plaintiff that the grading of Oak street in front of her premises was done without the required authority of the village board, and is consequently illegal.

The village is represented by Lawyer A. A. Worthington, at whose side sits John Shook, the head of the street and police departments of the village of Buchanan.

A jury composed as follows was impaneled in the case: Joseph Spencer, Fred Gano, Fred Knapp, William D. Lybrook, Herman Seibert, D. E. Atkinson, John J. Ribble, Joseph App, Charles Bechtel, Fred Durin, Emil Burkholm and Theodore Morlock.

VERDICT, \$800.

Jury Renders a Decision Against the Street Car Company.

At 3:30 this afternoon the jury in the case of George Bush vs. the St. Joseph & Benton Harbor street railway company returned a verdict of \$800 for the plaintiff.

A. P. Cady, attorney for the car company, at once made a motion that the verdict be set aside on a technical point. The court denied the motion.

The usual stay of proceedings for 60 days was granted.

The jury in the \$5,000 damage suit against the street railway company, instituted by George M. Bush, was charged by Judge Coolidge this morning and immediately retired in charge of Deputy Sheriff Sheenwood.

The jury expressed a desire to be further enlightened in regard to the instructions given them and were brought into the court room shortly before the noon recess for that purpose. They again retired and at 3 o'clock had not arrived at a verdict.

The general impression is that Bush will get a verdict though his damages may not be assessed in excess of six cents.

COVERS FOR 500.

St. Joseph Maccabees Have an Excellent Time.

The St. Joseph Maccabees held a public installation of officers in Martin's Academy of Music last evening, which was followed by a banquet with 500 covers at the Hotel Whitehead.

There was but one disappointment. Great Commander Boynton of Port Huron, who was expected to conduct the installation. He could not arrive in time and Attorney Theodore G. Beaver was wired for and came down from Niles and did the work very acceptably.

After the installation the program of the evening was given. It was splendid in all respects. It was opened by Frazer's band in an overture.

Mayor John Stare presided and gave a short address of welcome, taking occasion to particularly welcome the ladies who were present in large numbers. He then introduced Mr. Theodore Beaver, the charming Nilesite, with a brief address. He took occasion to comment upon the remarkable growth of the Maccabee lodge in general and the St. Joseph lodge in particular. Five years ago he organized the St. Joseph tent with 26 members. The membership is now 219, having gained 99 during the past year. The total amount of insurance represented by this tent is \$327,000.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 Years the Standard.

QUARREL OF DOCTORS

Official Statement From the Village Board of Galien Concerning the Health Trouble.

MILD SLAP AT DR. TUTTON.

Complete History of the Controversy From Its Beginning Until the Present.

Charles A. Clark, president of the village of Galien, in response to a resolution passed by the village council, has from the official records prepared the following statement in regard to the trouble which started when the village health officer put under quarantine the home of Charles Springer.

GALIEN, Jan. 7. EDITOR EVENING NEWS: Will you please publish the following facts concerning the health officer affair in this village?

At an adjourned regular meeting of the board of health held November 13, 1896, Dr. E. J. Wildanger, by unanimous vote, was appointed health officer. December 2 the following communication was handed to the president of the board:

To the president and common council of the village of Galien: Gentlemen: It having been unofficially reported to me that the children of Springer are ill with some form of throat disease, and that they have been exposed to diphtheria, I hereby give notice that in case diphtheria should develop in my family as the result of any failure to properly report such cases, I shall hold the village of Galien responsible for any damages resulting to me in any way in consequence thereof.

E. J. Wildanger, Secy.

At a special meeting of the board held December 7 the following motion was made and carried by unanimous vote: That the health officer take such precautionary measures as he deems necessary for the protection and benefit of the public health in reference to the death of the child of Charles Springer, which child died today at about 9 o'clock a. m. of supposed tonsillitis.

A special meeting of the board held December 12 health officer reported the Springer children improving rapidly but thought best to continue the quarantine, in which the board concurred.

At the regular meeting of the board held December 14 a petition signed by seventeen citizens, asking for the removal of Dr. Wildanger as health officer, was on motion laid on the table until the next meeting.

Special meeting of the board held December 15 the resignation of Dr. Wildanger as health officer was presented and accepted at this meeting. The board also received the following communication:

City of Benton Harbor, Michigan. Health Officer's Office, Dec. 15, 1896. To the president and common council of the village of Galien, Berrien county, Michigan. Gentlemen: In THE EVENING NEWS of this city, under date of December 17, 1896 I saw it mentioned that a petition is now in circulation requesting your honorable body to remove Dr. E. J. Wildanger from the position of health officer of your board. You should be proud to have a man in your village who is not only highly educated and competent in the practice of his profession, but as a public officer has common sense and backbone enough to try and save your own sons and daughters from such a fearful disease as diphtheria, irrespective of the opinion of all and any other persons.

I do not know what your methods may be but in this city if the health officer pronounces a case one of contagious disease after a careful examination of the case there is no appeal from his decision.

The duty of the health officer is to save life by preventing the spread of contagious disease and the board of health should uphold him in his endeavors. I do not know Dr. Clinch but I have seen some of his prescriptions and pronounce him an ignorant case as the laws of the state of Michigan may allow him to practice.

Very Respectfully,

H. V. TROTTER,

Health Officer, City of Benton Harbor.

After the meeting of the board of health December 7 the health officer, Dr. Wildanger, removed some particles from the dead child's throat and sent them to the Chicago board of health for examination. In three or four days he received the reply that there were no diphtheria germs in the specimen sent. Dr. Clinch and Dr. Lipscomb, of New York, also took portions of the child's throat and sent them to Chicago for examination and the same reply was received and that the diagnosis of tonsillitis was probably correct. At no meeting of the board would Dr. Wildanger say that these children had diphtheria but on Sunday, the 11th day of December, seven days after he first saw the case, posted a notice on the house "diphtheria."

The child died December 7 and December 9 Dr. Wildanger as health officer issued the following funeral director's transit permit:

"In the town of Galien, county of Berrien, permission is hereby given to remove the remains of C. Springer's daughter, aged 8 years, who died at Galien, Berrien county, on the 7th day of December, 1896, the cause of death being tonsillitis, which is not a contagious disease, and a transit permit being asked for burial in the state of Indiana."

F. J. WILDANGER, Health Officer, Galien, Mich.

J. D. WHITE, Undertaker.

HENRY CUNLAIN M. D., Medical Attendant.

On the upper margin of this permit

was written the following: "In view of my knowledge of the case I shall be compelled to call this contagious disease."

F. J. WILDANGER, Health Officer.

The names of the village board are Charles A. Clark, president, D. B. Prince, clerk, J. D. White, E. H. Prince, E. A. Blakeslee, Frank Burrows, William McCall and William Beale. At no time has there been any fault found by the board with Dr. Wildanger as is intimated by Dr. H. V. Trotton who seems to be able to judge of a case by hearing one side only and has taken upon himself the duty of giving advice to those whom he thinks are not "highly educated," and it very frequently happens that when a person attempts to show his backbone he shows more than he intends to and we think that the doctor has done so in this case, and in future when the village of Galien want anything of him they will let him know.

The village board are certainly more solicited and anxious concerning the welfare of their sons and daughters than any strangers could be but have not allowed themselves to be drawn into any doctors' quarrel.

Very Respectfully,

CHARLES A. CLARK, President of the Board.

CHARGES CRUELTY.

Nellis Wykoff Wants Possession of His Children.

The probate court is grieved today with an investigation of the charge made by Nellis Wykoff, of Sodas, that his wife, who has separated from him, ill treats their two small children who are in the custody of the wife.

The father filed a petition in the probate court asking that the children be removed from the mother's care. The hearing today is being attended by a large crowd of sodas citizens. Lawyer Seavey appears for Wykoff and the wife is represented by A. L. Hammond.

Photography Beats the Fakirs.

The Indian "mango" trick, in which a plant is seen to grow up from the seed in a few minutes, has been done in a new way by M. Michael Corday of the Ecole Polytechnique in France. M. Corday employs the well known cinematograph, or apparatus for producing "living photographs"—that is to say, photographic images endowed with movement and apparently with life. A rose plant is photographed at intervals during its growth until the flower buds and blooms. The photographs thus taken are combined by the cinematograph and projected on a screen, so as to represent the development of the plant in a short time. The number of photographs taken in six months should be equal to the number which the sensitive band of the cinematograph will continue. Obviously the same plan will be able to show the changing aspects of the country during the seasons in one progressive illusion, and we venture to suggest that it might be employed with advantage in illustrating various scientific experiments and natural processes of an evolutionary or gradual sort.—London Globe.

Two Pistols and a Bow in One.

Chief of Police Keefe has in his possession probably the most unique weapon ever seen in the city of Jacksonville. It is a combination double barreled pistol and bowie and was used in Missouri by a "regulator" when that state was going through the throes of the pro and anti slavery discussion.

The blade of the bowie is about 13 inches long and protrudes from a hilt between two small pistol barrels, each about 6 inches long. The hilt and the barrels are one and the same. When the hilt is cocked into position, two triggers, concealed in the stock, come forth, and then the weapon is ready for business, with both barrels and 12 inches of cold steel.

A number of men, it is said, belonging to one organization in Missouri were armed with these weapons, which were secured direct from Paris. This one in particular seems to be almost new.—Florida Times-Union.

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation.

Save your money, but if you get a good deal of good money, use those fine candies at Bird's drug store.

GAY PLEASURE BOAT.

Will be the New River Steamer to be Launched Next Spring By Drake & Wallace.

TO BE LIGHTED BY ELECTRICITY.

Evening Excursions, With Dancing Aboard, One of the Features Now Promised.

On April 1, 1897, if the anticipations of the builders, Drake & Wallace, are realized there will glide from the stocks into the St. Joseph river one of the most magnificent pleasure steamers afloat on the inland waters of Michigan.

The keel for the new boat was laid yesterday. Of all the coming water beauties there are none of the fleet that will carry tourists up the St. Joseph river next summer which will compare in point of speed, convenience and grandeur with the stern-wheeler now being built and to be launched next spring by the owners of the Edna, Drake & Wallace.

The new boat will continue its business entirely to the accommodation of the pleasure seeker. It will not carry freight, but will be arranged for the convenience of the most exacting of the tourists who seek rest and quiet amid the orchards, vineyards and river retreats of the two cities, who find in the pine covered bluff and pretty islands of the river a certain fascination nowhere else provided.

Here are the dimensions of the boat: Length over main deck, 86 feet; width of hull beam molded, 16 feet 9 inches; extreme beam over all to raising, 21 feet; depth of hull, 3 feet. The promenade deck will be 72 feet long, 7 feet 4 inches high and 20 feet wide. The boat was designed by E. M. Emerson, of St. Louis, Mo., marine architect and is fashioned after the steamers that navigate the Mississippi river with one wheel in the stern. The advantage of the single wheel is to secure a lighter draft, the architect declaring that if his specifications are closely followed the new steamer will not draw over 12 inches of water with boilers, engine and all equipments on board. The builders, however, will be satisfied if she can navigate 16 inches of water.

Sand bars, logs or snags will not annoy the new boat. By reversing her wheel the water will be thrown forward increasing the draft. The extent to which the boat will readily extricate herself, she will be equipped with two boilers, 836, and the latest pattern of river marine engines, the same now being built by the St. Joseph Iron works. Her speed is estimated at 10 miles an hour.

One of the modern features of the steamer will be an electric light plant. A 60-light dynamo will be placed on board and a strong search light which will illuminate the river from bank to bank will be adopted, making it possible to make evening trips up the river. On the night trips a band of music will be carried and every convenience for dancing, provided. The promenade deck will present much the same appearance as a large hall. It will be covered with a canopy. The only cabin on the vessel will be located on the main deck and will be 20x16 feet in size. The steamer will be gaily decked in flags and colors emblematic of patriotism and will present a very striking appearance.

No dock will be necessary in unloading or taking passengers aboard. The boat has a long gang plank which it can conveniently throw out at any point along the banks making it possible to pick up tourists wherever they may be found.

It is proposed to make five trips daily, the boat ascending the river as far as Yellow Creek. Two hundred and fifty passengers can be carried at a trip. If the new boat receives the patronage expected the Edna will be taken all next season, and the new boat will be the only distinctively pleasure steamer on the river.

She will cost the builders in the neighborhood of \$15,000. The building of the boat is being superintended by Boat Builder Peterson and it is intended to have her in a condition for launching by April 1 next.

For New Year's

We are prepared to assist you in your wants in the way of

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For Ladies and Gentlemen

Fine Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves and Mittens, Hats and caps, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Fine Traveling Bags, Trunks etc. Our stock of clothing and overcoats is exceptional large and complete, and our boots, shoes and rubbers are always right.

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9 lbs. Rolled Oats, 25c.

Buckwheat Flour, 35c.

Scudder's Maple Syrup, 90c gal.

Honey Dew Corn, 10c, per dozen, \$1.10.

Paris Corn 10c, per doz., \$1.10.

Until March 1 we close at 6:30 p. m.

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By Mail—One year, \$2.50, in advance; one month, 25 cents.
The Weekly News, \$1.00 a year.
Entered at the postoffice at Benton Harbor as second class matter.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1897.
The Gallen village council size it all up as a "doctors' quarrel" and not a health war.

The new steamer on the river will add greatly to the pleasure afforded by the St. Joseph river as a pleasure resort.

HON. A. L. Lakey, of Kalamazoo, will ask the legislature to pass a law making it a crime to sell game in Michigan. This would drive the sportsmen for profit out of business and would preserve the game in the forests.

Benton Harbor's chief of police has often put a dozen heavy weights to sleep in a single night. This beats the record from Paddy Ryan down to Sharkey. The chief of police uses the city lockup to put his men to sleep, instead of his list as the pugilists do.

WITHIN a week, one pugilist has been killed and another injured, probably fatally, by battles in the prize ring. Neither victim was of any use to society and both can be spared without the slightest inconvenience. Still, there are people who maintain that prize fighting is a bad thing.

GOVERNOR Altgeld is spending his few last days in office pardoning criminals of the worst class, thieves and robbers who have followed the business of burglary and made it their profession. The state of Illinois has spent thousands of dollars in catching the rogues who are now being set free by Altgeld.

J. B. SMILEY, the poet editor of the Galesburg Enterprise, has the faculty of getting everybody to hate him. Now he is under a boycott from the Kalamazoo typographical union and the ladies of Kalamazoo are circulating a petition against his appointment as postmaster at Kalamazoo. In the midst of this persecution the shadow is lifted from Editor Smiley by a Benton Harbor citizen who lets in a little sunshine. The B. H. C. says that it is Mr. Smiley's father, and not himself, who has been writing all this stuff called poetry. Editor Smiley should take this as a vindication.

GRMS FROM STATE EDITORS.
Detroit News: Having decided to employ steel experts to examine armor plate, the government should make sure that Mr. Carnegie doesn't employ the same ones.

Landing Republican, Tuesday: Gov. Pingree has already more than earned his salary since he became governor, having issued 68 notary public commissions at \$1 each.

Muskegon Chronicle: Congressman Towne has started a crusade against a lot of Atlantic coast ports of entry established years ago, where little business is now transacted, the expense for collecting a dollar in some of them having run as high as \$200. In the meantime the great lakes have not enough ports of entry and their custom districts need reorganizing. This lake region wants its share of all commercial advantages within the gift of the government. The people tributary to the great lakes contribute their full share to government support and glory. Ocean water fronts are not entitled to special advantages simply because their air is salt.

When the scalp is atrophied, or shiny-bald, no preparation will restore the hair; in all other cases, Hall's Hair Renewer will start a growth.

City Taxes.
The time for payment of taxes without added cost has been extended to January 10, 1897. Five per cent additional will be collected on all taxes not paid by that time.
H. R. HUNTINGTON, Collector.

Rates to the inauguration.
On account of the inauguration the Big Four will sell special excursion tickets to Washington, good going March 1, 2 and 3, and leaving Washington not earlier than March 4, inclusive, and not later than March 8, inclusive, at one first class fare for the round trip.
L. G. SMITH, Agent.

Q. What is sweeter than life? Ans. A box of Bird's candy. Bird always keeps the best.

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation.

For the next 60 days C. R. Hollis & Son will sell their entire stock at actual cost before buying spring goods.
521-527

William Jennings Bryan ate a box of Bird's fine candies the day after election. He said "was the only thing that could calm his troubled spirit." Bird always keeps the best.

Coupon No. 51 is the lucky number and the holder of it can secure a wagon by calling on Mrs. Monnier, Territorial street.
380-6

Wanted.
Customers for corn, corn fodder, potatoes and apples. If you want good potatoes or apples for winter use put in your order at the office, West Michigan Nurseries, 154 Pipestone street or O. C. Howe, Eau Claire
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ALTGELD'S LAST SAY.

He Sends a Very Readable Message to the Legislature of Illinois.

COMMENTS ON PRESS LICENSE.

Question of the Abuse of the Pardoning Power is Discussed in the Message.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 7.—The opening of the fortieth session of the Illinois general assembly occurred yesterday. It was attended by no unusual incident. Both houses assembled, went through the usual form of organization and adjourned. E. C. Curtis (Rep.), of Kankakee, was elected speaker of the house, in accordance with the Republican caucus nomination. H. V. Fisher (Rep.), of Henry county, was elected president pro tem of the senate. James H. Paddock was chosen secretary of the senate, and John A. Reeves clerk of the house. Governor Altgeld's biennial message was presented to both houses and adjournment was taken till today. It is not probable that the standing committees will be named until after the election of Senator Palmer's successor. It understood that balloting for senator will not begin before Jan. 14. There is no change in the senatorial situation, each candidate professing confidence.

Points from the Governor's Message.
Governor Altgeld's final message begins with a statement of his policy in official appointments, which he says was "when other things were equal, to give preference to men who were politically in sympathy with this administration." Out in a case where by reason of some special fitness or some peculiar condition, it was believed that the state could be best served by the appointment of a Republican, such appointment was promptly made. Business methods adopted in the management of the state institutions, he claims, have saved in the charitable institutions above \$154,424 per year, or \$137,885.73 for the four years. Of the prisoners he says the state account system has diversified the industries and diminished the total output, while it has about supported the prisoners.

Must Abolish Prison Labor.
He closes his remarks on the subject as follows: "But I believe that the time has come when this state, which is now in many ways the leading state of the Union, must take another step forward in the matter of prison labor. There is a principle involved here which rises above all consideration of small economies, and that principle is that the state ought not in any manner to enter into competition with those who have to make their living by the sweat of their brows, and therefore the prisoners should be taken out of all employment in which they directly affect the wages of free laborers, and I recommend legislation that will bring about this result. Under this system the prisoners would not self-sustaining but it is not clear that the long run it would cost the state much more money than it does now. Just what the prisoners should work at under such a system will perhaps be impossible to prescribe by law, and will have to be left largely to the judgment of the warden and commissioners from time to time."

His Record in Pardons.
The governor reviews the changes made by the newspapers that he is a terror for pardons. He says: "So multitudinous and persistent an effort has been made to misrepresent the facts and make a false impression upon the public mind in regard to granting of pardons and commutations by this administration that justice requires a statement of the figures as shown by the record. During the four years just closing the average number of pardons and commutations per year has been 79; the average number, per annum, of convicts in the two penitentiaries during that time has been 2,201; consequently the pardons and commutations amounted to 3.5 per cent of the convicts in prison; and for the twenty years preceding the beginning of this administration the average number of pardons and commutations per annum was \$2.2-3, and the average number of convicts in the penitentiaries per annum during that time was 1,868, so that pardons or commuted, on the average, each year."

ARBITRATING LABOR TROUBLES.
Justice "as She Is Spelt" in Chicago—Remarks on Taxation.

The labor arbitration law is taken up and referring to the operation of the law passed in 1895 the governor says: "The measure was opposed by some strong interests, and the board was so limited in its powers as to almost entirely destroy it. Yet during the seventeen months that have elapsed since the board has been created it has acted as a mediator in forty-one cases, of which involved more or less serious differences between employees and employer. In thirty-eight out of those forty-one cases a satisfactory adjustment was effected and further trouble avoided. In the other three cases the employers haughtily refused to take any notice of the board or its friendly efforts."

He repeats what he says in his last message of the administration of justice in large cities, and adds: "At present the practice prevails in Chicago of making raids in the evening and running in from fifty to 100 women and a few men at a time on no particular pretext. Then the justice goes \$1 from each for taking a bond, thus making from \$50 to \$100 a night, and a lot of commentators known as special jurors and other hangers-on make \$100 or \$200 it can be wrung from the miserable creatures. In many instances certain police officers are believed to share in the rackets."

Referring to inequality of taxation the governor says that "most of the corporations of the state, doing a legitimate business, pay their full share of taxes, and in some cases, perhaps more, while other very large concerns pay almost nothing. A sleeping car company, whose office and headquarters are at Chicago, and which has over \$50,000,000 worth of property . . . is assessed in our state at only \$1,561. . . . Correspondence with the officials of all the other states in this country, and of Canada, shows that all the

taxes that it pays on this continent, Illinois included, do not amount to a fair ratio of taxation on \$20,000,000 and that consequently it has over \$10,000,000.00 that should be taxed in Chicago, upon which it does not pay a cent. As a rule, other property is assessed at from one-fourth to one-fifth of its market value."

Near the close the newspapers get this whirled: "The legislature owes it to the people of this state to devise some reasonable protection against the outrageous newspaper license on the part of great journals, of which the people are now victims. Newspaper abuse terrorizes the people and deprives many of our best citizens from taking part in public affairs. . . . As yet there are but few great journals in the United States that meet the definition of a newspaper. Many of them are personal and partisan organs often used maliciously, and instead of publishing the news fairly they make it their business to garble and misstate it."

FAIRPLAY TO WIN, SURE.
His Nomination to Wear Voorhees' Toga a Foregone Conclusion.

Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—The nomination by the Republicans of Charles W. Fairbanks for United States senator is now assured. The other candidates have not withdrawn from the contest, but they are practically out of it. If there was any doubt as to the real strength of the Fairbanks forces, it was cleared away when his supporters in the senate and house met in separate caucuses to talk over the situation. In the two caucuses there were actually present forty-eight senators and representatives who are pledged to him, and there were absent six senators and representatives who have been all along active in the support of the Indianapolis man, making a total of fifty-four men that are outspoken for Fairbanks.

This is eleven more than enough to nominate. It is estimated that the caucus will stand as follows: Fairbanks, 61; McKee, 16; Wallace, 5; Taylor, 2.

The house caucus will name Henry C. Perill, of Wabash, for speaker, and Charles H. Lane looks like the coming secretary of the senate.

Michigan Legislature in Session.
Lansing, Jan. 7.—The thirty-ninth general assembly of the state met yesterday at noon, and organized. The house ratified the action of the Republican caucus in re-electing William D. Gordon as speaker. The other caucus nominees were also elected. The senate completed its organization in similar manner. The speaker, George W. Black, in the election of Gordon as speaker, as the governor was opposed to that gentleman. The messages of Governors Rich and Pingree will be read this afternoon before a joint session.

Vest Has a Sure Thing, Apparently.
Jefferson, City, Mo., Jan. 7.—The Missouri legislature convened at noon yesterday and after temporary organization adjourned for the day. George T. Collins, of Scotland county, was elected temporary speaker of the house and T. L. Engle, of Salina, temporary clerk. The Democrats have a safe majority in each house and will elect their officers and a United States senator to succeed George Graham Vest. Senator Vest will have no opposition in his own party.

Will Work Better with Less Starch.
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Governor Black's message was read to the legislature yesterday. In speaking of civil service reform the governor says: "In my judgment, civil service will work better with less starch. A scheme is not necessarily effective or high-toned because it lacks of common sense, and they are not necessarily hostile who think that common sense would improve it."

Colorado Legislature.
Denver, Jan. 7.—The eleventh biennial session of the Colorado legislature convened at noon yesterday. The Populists and silverites captured the organization in both the senate and the house with the aid of the few McKinley Republican members.

No Trouble with the Pike Outlaws.
Harrodsburg, Ky., Jan. 7.—There was no battle between the militia and the pike outlaws. The soldiers watched all night, but neither a light nor a fight captured anywhere. The men were not looking for trouble; they don't destroy any turnpike property when there is danger to their skins.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.
State Bank Commissioner John W. Breidenbach predicts the number of Kansas banking institutions will decrease materially within the next two years, if they are not cut in two.

The custom of kissing the Bible at the inauguration of state officers which has prevailed in Kansas since the admission of the state into the Union, will not be observed by the Populists.

A bill is about to be introduced in the New York legislature limiting the height of buildings to 175 feet.

George Legg, the defaulting treasurer of Pike county, O., who embezzled about \$7,000 of the county's money, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary.

Mrs. Lease's house at Wichita, Kas., was sold yesterday at sheriff's sale for \$600. It cost about \$3,000. It was bought in by J. Marsh, an eastern mortgagee.

It appears that the ambassadors of the powers in addition to considering the treatment of Christians in Turkey, are also discussing measures to ameliorate the position of the Mussulmans.

Kate Dunn, 23 years old, a servant, living at 118 East Twenty-sixth street, New York city, was shot in the head by Michael Minner, a laborer. Minner then shot himself in the head.

MIRACLES BY THE SCORE.

The Wonderful Success of Dodd's Kidney Pills in Bright's Disease.

While the ablest physicians everywhere are puzzling their brains to enlarge the treatment of Bright's Disease and effect some permanent cure, the Dodd's Medicine Company are emphasizing the success of Dodd's Kidney Pills in the most severe cases, and showing by sworn affidavits that Dodd's pills have cured when the best medical science has failed. Nothing in recent years has been more miraculous than the case of Dr. A. G. McCormick of Richmond, Quebec, who was a victim of that dread destroyer, Bright's Disease of the Kidneys. After consulting other medical men and trying in vain to restore his health, he says: "My attention was called to the Dodd's Kidney Pills by Dodd's Medicine Company. I was very much interested in them, and I at once procured a few boxes and decided to give them a trial. My improvement was marked from the first: I continued their use following directions as closely as possible, until I had taken about a dozen boxes, which resulted in a complete, and I am satisfied, permanent cure."

"Dr. A. G. McCormick." Dodd's Pills were the first Kidney pills on the market and originated with one of the ablest professors of McGill University. There is nothing haphazard about them and nothing experimental. They represent a physician's prescription put up in convenient form and are positively guaranteed to cure the worst cases of kidney disease. On sale by all druggists. 50 cents a box, or sent by mail to any address by the Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Dashed.
Friend—I say, Daub, I suppose you heard about our house being broken into the other night?
Artist—No, I hadn't heard. Did they take much?
Friend—A couple of watches, some silver, a suit of clothes, and, it's a funny thing, but you know that picture you painted me. They cut it out of the frame, and—
Artist (interrupting excitedly)—By Jupiter, old man, you don't say so. Why, my fortune's made. Yes?
Friend—And I nipped off with the frame, the beggar!

Artist—Ah, did they? It's rather funny, isn't it? Good day.
Friend—Good day.—Pearson's Weekly.

What to Eat.
The carpenter, hardback; the watchmaker, minute pudding; the printer, pi; the wheelman, meets; the upholsterer, stuffing; the plumber, long bill; the snipe; the blacksmith, hammered steak; the banker, golden pleasant; the balloonist, angel food; the clown, capers; the glovemaker, lady fingers; the shoemaker, soles; the politician speaker, the carman, crabs; the tramp, any old thing.—Up to Date.

The Four Leaf Clover.
The four leaf clover has been considered both in England, Ireland and America as a lucky "find," the accidental lighting upon one being regarded as foretelling some good fortune to the finder. In some parts of Ireland the presentation of a four leaf clover by a young man to a young woman is considered equivalent to "popping the question."

His Funny Little Way.
Clara—He has such a funny little way of kissing me on the back of the neck.
Maude—Well, you know he can't see your face from there.—Taggart's Times.

Real Modesty.
"Wonder why old Skinner's funeral was private?"
"Family didn't have enough grief to make a good display, I guess."—Detroit News.

Twenty-six days are required for the journey between New York and Sierra Leone.

Easy to Take
Easy to Operate
Are features peculiar to Hood's Pills. Small in size, tasteless, efficient, thorough. As one man said: "You never know you have taken a pill till it is all over." See C. F. Hood & Co., Proprietors, Lowell, Mass. The only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Pumps .. Wells
We are prepared to furnish anything in the well line at lowest prices. All kinds of Well and Pump Repairs. Leave orders with us for first class well work done by Pond Bros. All work guaranteed.

Hinkle & Baushe
145 Pipestone St.

Relief in Six Hours.
Disressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise in account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by M. Bell & Co., 105 Main street, Druggist, Benton Harbor, Mich.

The City Steam laundry does more work than all other laundries in Benton county combined. It is fine work hat has built up the trade.

Pure Californian wine 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

Genuine Reduction Sale

Having more goods than money we are awful anxious to exchange. In order to do so we expect to sacrifice. But that cuts no figure

Goods Must Move FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

Purchasers of Dry Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Blankets, Cloaks and Millinery can save money by trading with us. Profits more than knocked off on everything. Some things less than half price.

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SUCCESSOR TO F. G. WARREN
116 East Main Street, Benton Harbor, Mich.

WOYSTERS

TWENTY-FIVE CTS. A QUART.

Watch this space we will change these prices often.

22 1-4 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....	\$1 00	1 lb. package Corn Starch.....	5c
23 1-4 lbs. Extra C Sugar.....	\$1 00	1 lb. package Best Polishing Starch.....	8c
Golden Syrup, per gal.....	20c	1-2 lb. Bakers' Chocolate.....	19c
1 lb. Best Coconut.....	15c	Sweet Chocolate.....	7c
1-2 lb. Best Coconut.....	10c	California Peaches, 3 cans.....	17c
2 lb. package Buckwheat.....	10c	Golden Pumpkin.....	9c
Matches, per package, 200 count.....	10c	Salt Pork.....	5c
1 package Mince Meat.....	8c	Bonns, hand picked.....	5c
6 bars Long Brown Soap.....	25c	Arm and Hammer Soda.....	6c
5 gallons best Oil.....	40c	Magic Yeast and Yeast Foam.....	3c
5 gallon Oil Can.....	50c	25c Tea.....	19c
6 bars Kirk's Soap.....	25c	Sapolio.....	8c
1 lb. Best 50c Tea.....	33c	Bulk Starch.....	4c
2 lb. package Rolled Oats.....	7c	1 lb. Dr. Price's Baking Powder.....	40c
1 lb. Good Java Coffee.....	30c	Salt, per sack.....	3c

Compare these prices with what you are paying at credit stores and you will be convinced that we can save you money.

..SOULE & CO.

Have You Considered

That you could sell that house and lot by expending a small amount of money for

A Coat of Paint..

We sell the celebrated Buckeye Paints, none better, and several other brands just as good. For the next thirty days we will make special prices on

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This is no fancy story but a bona fide sale. The quality and price will please you.

Benton Harbor Hardware Co.

HUTT & ANDERSON, Proprietors...

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We have put in a SCHOOL SUPPLIES and STATIONERY

Our Stock of Groceries is Most Complete and Fresh

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At 112 West Main street while you wait.

Custom grinding a specialty.

We also keep Buckwheat

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Jackson

Coal..

On account of a strike in the Jackson Coal District no Jackson Coal can be bought. Having a stock of this celebrated coal we offer it to the trade at old prices.

C. GODFREY & CO.

BICYCLE

and GENERAL

REPAIRING

We have put in a line of new machinery which enables us to do any kind of repairing. Mr. D. W. Lewis has established his headquarters with us and is prepared to repair and warrant anything in the Bicycle, Gun, Typewriter, Lock, Sewing Machine and tinker line. Give us a trial.

HINKLE & BAUSHE

145 Pipestone Street.

PHILO HACK

RUSSELL'S LINE..

Meets all trains. Passengers and baggage to all parts of the city. Leave orders at John T. Owens' grocery or call telephone 79-12.

10 Per Cent Off for Cash..

We are selling meat at cheap as the cheapest and besides give a reduction of 10 per cent for cash.

C. A. WHITE, Pipestone St.

Bargain in a

Steam Engine...

I have a new Kimball five horse power steam engine, same pattern as the one in THE EVENING NEWS office. I will sell at a ridiculously low price.

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Trains leave Grand Rapids for Lansing and Detroit at 7:00 a. m., 1:30 p. m. and 5:25 p. m.

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For Flint at 7:10 a. m. and 4:20 p. m.

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Lunches a Specialty

Highest of all in Leavening Strength.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE L. O. T. M. will meet tomorrow afternoon at the Odd Fellows hall for drill.

JESSE R. Johnson, of this city, and Mary Francis Fitch, of Chicago, were united in marriage today.

THE holder of ticket No. 2227 takes the music box given away by C. R. Hollis & Son January 1, 1897.

The viaduct constructed over the Big Four by the St. Joseph Valley railway will be completed tomorrow.

THE choir of the Congregational church will meet in the basement for practice at 7 o'clock sharp, Friday evening.

J. O. VANHORN will continue his underwear sale this evening. The store has been crowded with seekers of bargains all day.

THE officers and teachers of the Universalist Sunday school will meet tomorrow night at the home of Miss Grace Robbins for the election of officers.

S. M. AUSTIN believes that bread is the staff of life and he proposes to sell his very best loaves for 3 cents each. Notice the change in his advertisement in tomorrow's paper.

THERE is not a single case of contagious disease in the city at the present time. There are three families in quarantine but the cases have all been reported as recovered.

C. R. HUTCHINSON has purchased of F. P. Graves his interest in the Pictorial Printing company and yesterday sold the controlling interest to Milton Hinkley. It is expected that the business of the company will be increased.

EDWARD BULLY, the young man in Columbia, who was arrested last Tuesday charged with attempting a criminal assault upon Miss Ella Holmes on New Year's day, had a hearing in Columbia this morning and the evidence was sufficient to warrant his being held for trial in the circuit court.

Real Estate Transfers.

Emma D. Bishop to Ida E. Hill, lot 5, Berrien Centre. \$400.

William A. Baker to Emerick A. Hill, property in village of Columbia \$500.

Augustus R. Nelson to George P. Sunday, property in Oronoko township. \$1,200.

Ida E. Hill to Emma D. Bishop, 19 acres in Berrien township. \$400.

Marriage Licenses

Jesse R. Johnson, 35, Benton Harbor; Mary Francis Fitch, 45, Chicago.

SOCIETY'S CORNER.

What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

Rev. A. E. Craig, the predecessor of the Rev. W. P. French as pastor of the First M. E. church here, is making an excellent impression upon the members of his church at Albion. A Benton Harbor citizen has just returned from Albion and says that the only criticism ever passed upon Mr. Craig's work there has become a standing joke among the good pastor's many admirers. One day Rev. Craig was getting shaved in a barber shop. In a chair opposite him was a blind man who was using a hair cut. The blind man of course had not observed the entrance of the minister and unwittingly the blind man said to the barber: "You want to come out to the Methodist church and hear our preacher. He is the best I ever heard of. I don't like him socially though. When I meet him on the street he don't look toward me." Mr. Craig smiled to himself as he heard such a criticism from a blind man and every one who hears the story shares the same smile.

Rev. George L. Cady, formerly pastor of the First Congregational church of this city, has just finished his first year as pastor at Geneseo, Ill. When the year was finished the official members called on the pastor and the most affectionate man in the crowd informed Mr. Cady that times were hard and that the church had decided to change the pastor's salary. Mr. Cady fancied he saw a tear start in the eyes of the speaker, who continued: "Yes, as I said, times are hard. We fear perhaps you can't meet your expenses next year but we are determined and won't listen to any excuses. You have been drawing a salary of \$1,300 and a parsonage. Hereafter you will be given only the parsonage and \$1,500." Then the solemn-faced man broke into a laugh as he grabbed the hand of the surprised minister and gave it a pump-handle shake.

January 1 the Crickets met with their president, Mrs. Bishop. Answer to roll call was from Sir Walter Scott. The following ladies furnished a most excellent program: Mrs. Bishbee, Mrs. Edmunds. Other members of the club furnished Christmas sketches.

The members of the Women's Relief corps were invited to witness the installation of the officers of George H. Thomas post, G. A. R. When the installation was over the ladies invited

the members of the post to the ante room where oysters, doughnuts and coffee were served.

The Grand Rapids Democrat says, of the pianist who will appear at the First Baptist church next Tuesday evening with the Wagner male quartet: "Mr. Ferdinand Warner is a pianist who in every way is a credit to himself. This young man plays with so much genuine ability that he ranks with the artists who are many years his senior."

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wolford, Jennings avenue are the parents of a girl baby which arrived yesterday.

The Ossoli club will meet with Mrs. C. M. Gore, Green avenue, Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Allen Branson accompanied Mrs. Rolland Merrill this morning to Warsaw where they will visit Mrs. James Pearl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fyfe left for their home in Minneapolis this morning after visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Antislale.

Miss Ruby Pray it continued to her home by illness.

The Order of Patriarchs will conduct a public installation of officers tomorrow night.

The new officers of the W. R. C. have been installed by Cora R. Kimball.

Water-villet.

WATERVILLE, Jan. 7. J. S. Burnside and wife have returned from a visit to York state.

E. Wolcott, who is at Mt. Clemens taking treatment for rheumatism, is reported worse.

Martin & Wood have built a slaughter house on the back of William Read's farm.

A large number of ladies attended the ladies' Friday club at Mrs. A. J. Sutherland's last Friday afternoon.

William Able is clerking for Car-mody brothers.

A brother of James Hepon has moved from Kansas.

Fred Furman, the hustling telegraph operator at this place, is very sick at his home in Columbia.

Pro Patria, a 10c cigar for 1c; none genuine unless stamped Pro Patria. A cool, sweet and lasting smoke. Geo. Moebis & Co., manufacturers, Detroit.

Coupon No. 51 is the lucky number and the holder of it can secure a wagon by calling on Mrs. Monnier, Territorial street.

Wanted.

Customers for corn, corn fodder, potatoes and apples. If you want good potatoes or apples for winter use put in your order at hard time prices, we've got 'em. Will sell our corn in the ear or shuck. Inquire or leave your orders at the office, West Michigan Nursery, 155 Pipestone street or O. C. Howe, Eau Claire 310.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, chaplain of the prison of Iowa, claims that 228 convicts out of 500 at the institution with which he is connected owe their downfall to intemperance.

The wife of George Pearson, of Saginaw, disappeared from the family residence, Monday night, leaving a note in the table, which reads as follows: "George, you need not look for me. You will never find me." Mr. and Mrs. Pearson lost a child last November, since which time Mrs. Pearson's mind has been unbalanced. They had lived happily together for the past twenty years.

Judge of Probate Durfee, of Detroit, has held that office in Wayne county for twenty years, without a skip.

In Cienega, a town of a population of only 500, 300 tramps applied for lodging in the jail during the past year.

It seems impossible to convict any one in Grand Rapids of assaulting an officer. Eric Kruger, who "did up" the policeman who shot Saloonkeeper Treadwell, will probably go free. John Manz recently got damages because an officer nabbed him. Herman Brown was yesterday acquitted of obstructing an officer who was making an arrest.

Nothing could be proven against F. C. Kimball, the directory man, and he was set free by the Grand Rapids authorities.

"I was troubled with my stomach, kidneys and liver. I told my wife I was going to try Hood's Sassa-parilla and I did so and in a short time I was better and was able to sleep well at night." Nathaniel Wise, Cassopolis, Mich.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills.

New Advertisements.

Paterbaugh & Rapp have changed their sale from one-half off to one-third off.

The Enterprise Mercantile company, successors to E. G. Warren, have commenced a genuine reduction sale which will continue 30 days. Some articles they sell for less than half price.

"The Lion," the St. Joseph day goods emporium conducted by Shepard & Henning, occupy a half page today.

This space they have taken for one month. This house has the right idea about advertising. They always spend more money for advertising in January than during any other month in the year.

One of the proprietors explained their theory thus: "During the holidays our store is always jammed and we have more business than we can conveniently handle. We get our share without advertising. In January to make a good showing we must have more than our extra share of trade. We advertise bargains that bring people to our store."

"O' for a lodge in some vast wilderness, where I can be alone with a box of Birk's line caustics. Bird always sells the best."

"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Washburn's Gold Medal flour—all good grocers sell it.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

BEND LOW AND HARK.

Bend low and hark with me, my dear, how the winds sigh!

A voice is on them that I fear— It brings the bygone days so near, Like a soul's cry.

Those whom we bury out of sight, how still they lie!

Beyond the reaches of the light, Outside the realm of day and night— Do they not die?

Shall we unbar the long closed door, You, dear, or I?

Could love be what it was before If we should call them back once more And they reply?

Would they life's largest claim again? They draw too tight?

O winds, be still! You shall not pain My heart with that long lushed refrain As you sweep by.

The dead have had their shining day— Why should they try

To listen to the words we say, To breathe their light upon our May?

Yet the winds sigh—

—Louise Chandler Moulton.

HE CRACKS A WHIP.

But He is a Phenomenal Artist In the Use of the Lash.

A decided sensation has been created in Vienna by a man who probably stands alone in the world in his particular line of performance. This gentleman's name is Pisklug, and he is an Austro-Hungarian by birth. He is an expert, or rather, a phenomenal artist, in the use of the whip.

The first thing he does is to take a long lashed, stout handled whip in each hand, and, with orchestral accompaniment, proceed to crack or snap them at a terrific rate. The sound made by his whips in this manner is graduated from a noise like a rifle report to the soft click of a billiard ball. It makes a curious sort of music and serves to show how he can regulate the force of each stroke.

More interest, however, is evinced when he seizes a vicious looking whip with an abnormally long lash. It is provided with a very heavy handle of medium length. This is his favorite toy, and what he can do with it is really wonderful. He first gives an idea of what fearful force there lies in a whip lash in the hands of an expert.

A large frame, over which is stretched a calf or sheep skin, is brought on the stage. This is marked with dots of red paint. The man with the whip steps up, and, swinging the lash round his head, lets fly at the calf skin. With every blow he actually pulls a piece right out from the leather, leaving a clean cut hole.

These pieces are distributed among the audience to show that there is no trickery about the performance. After this he takes a frame with three shelves. On these there are a dozen or more of medium sized apples lying very close together and provided with large numbers.

Any one in the audience may designate which apple he wishes struck, and the unerring lash snatches it out like a flash.

A still more difficult feat is the snapping of coins from a narrow necked bottle. A piece of silver about the size of half a crown is put over the cork of the bottle, which stands on the edge of a table. The whip artist, without ap-

pearing to take any sort of aim, sends the long lash whizzing through the air and picks off the coin without jarring the bottle, much less breaking it. —Vienna Letter.

She Didn't Want Them to Fight.

I was going along a bridge path in West Virginia when I heard a young man and a young woman talking earnestly:

"I don't want 'em all to fight," said the girl.

"But 'em done promised to marry the one that whopped," remonstrated her escort.

"I don't keer. I didn't think no way."

"Well, maybe neither of us'll get shot."

"I don't keer."

"If one got killed, you'd marry t'other?"

"Yas."

"An if both got killed, thar's plenty more wants 'em."

"Yas; thar's Sam, an I think a heap of Sam. But that ain't it. S'posin one gets killed and t'other gets crippled so he kin't tote water from the spring. You've both done promised to tote the water if I marry 'em. Kin't 'em all play keards, fer I kin't abide to marry a cripple now, an I'd be bound if 'em all had the font."

"Well, I'll see Tom, but I'm afraid he kin beat me at keards, but I kin outshoot him sho'." — Philadelphia Times.

How Sand Hills Grow.

A sand hill is not "made" so much as planted. Wherever a patch of "marrum grass" takes root, there the sand blown from the great bank gathers round it. As the sand spreads, the grass grows through it, until the hard dry blades form the nucleus of thousands of tons of "hills."

Near Holkham bay there lay not 40 years ago a wet "lake" inside the high sand. There the "gunners" used to hide for curlew, digging holes and filling them with "marrum grass" to make them dry and comfortable.

This grass took root, the sand gathered round, and where the "lake" lay is now a tumultuous mass of rounded hillocks, rising 20 feet above high water level—built by the "marrum grass" from the surplus driftings of the mighty sand. —London Spectator.

Made Them Cry.

Talker—When I lectured, there was not a dry eye in the audience.

Walker—Indeed, and what was your subject?

Talker—I had been addressing a school of cookery and giving a practical illustration of how to peel an onion. —London Tit-Bits.

The juggle of sophistry consists, for the most part, in using a word in one sense in the premises and in another sense in the conclusion. —Coleridge.

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Lot No. 3—All men's suits worth and sold from \$11 to 13.50 at the low price of \$7 50

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Lot Nos. 6 and 7—All of the finest suits we have and tailor made garments at that, beautiful goods from the best makers. We have made a price of \$12 50 on lot 6, and \$14 50 on lot 7.



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Ladies' wrappers in fancy Persian designs sold at 98c, now 69c each.

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Ladies' wool waists in plaids, fancy mixtures in silk and wools, sold all season from \$2.25 to 3.50, we will clean them up, your choice at \$1 75

Jackets, Capes and Suits

There will be a merry time here; 50 cents will buy a dollar's worth in many cases but we'd rather have the money than the goods. Cost not considered here.

A Few Extra Good Blankets Will be Sold Very Cheap

Not more than a dozen pairs, so it won't do to say much, but we are anxious to see how many housewives are curious enough to answer an advertisement as short as this.

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